

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING A PRE-SELECTION INDICATOR  
FOR A GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE (GUI) WIDGET

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A pre-selection indicator for a graphical user interface (GUI) widget is displayed when a selection pointer is moved within a field of influence associated with the GUI widget on a display screen. The field of influence for the widget extends beyond the visual display area of the widget. To determine the field of influence, an analog to a gravitational force field is generated mathematically to operate between the displayed selection pointer and the widget. The pre-selection indicator can be a visual aura associated with the displayed widget, or the displayed widget can be visually enlarged to the boundary of the field of influence surrounding the widget.